

NEEDINGWORTH BAPTIST CHURCH – REPORT TO CHARITY COMMISSION

Period of Report: 01 November 2024 to 31 October 2025

Name of Charity: Needingworth Baptist Church CIO

Registration Number: 1200761

Address: High Street, Needingworth, St Ives, Cambridgeshire, PE27 4SB

Trustees: David Mann (Elder), Robert Keith Craigen (Deacon), Paul Michael Burton (Deacon). These trustees were in place for the whole period of the report.

Purpose of the charity as set out in our Constitution: The advancement of the Christian faith as a Grace Baptist Church in accordance with our Basis of Faith, primarily in Needingworth and the surrounding neighbourhood.

Structure and details of how it is managed, including how it recruits trustees: Needingworth Baptist Church was formed in 1767. It has a membership. Christians in regular attendance at the church, who would like to become members, apply by completing and signing the application form and writing out their testimony of conversion and Christian life. This is seen by the church members who approve the admission of the new member at a Church Meeting. Elders and Deacons are the “Officers” of the church and the Trustees of the charity. These are chosen by the church members and appointed at a church meeting which has considered their suitability, calling and gifts. The Pastor is an elder who is appointed by the church and usually supported financially by the church. When someone is appointed as a Church Officer or Pastor, they automatically become a trustee.

Activities and objectives in the year and public benefit of the charity: The Trustees have taken into account the Charity Commission’s guidance on Public Benefit in preparing this report. Our meetings are open to all, and, as the only church in Needingworth, provide a community for all who seek to worship God according to the Christian faith, and provide pastoral care for all who seek it, according to their particular needs.

Our main meeting was the Sunday morning worship service. In the absence of a Pastor, this was led over the period of this report by visiting preachers or by our elder. We seek to worship and praise our great God and Father by singing hymns of praise, praying, reading the Bible and listening to a sermon which explains a passage of the Bible and its relevance and application to us all. We do this for the glory of God and for the strengthening of the faith of all who attend. Services were recorded and placed on our website so that those who were unwell, or unable to attend for any reason, could still participate and benefit from the services.

Once a month in the summer months we also held a Sunday evening service.

Our weekly midweek meeting was held each Tuesday evening in the Chapel or on Zoom, consisting of a Bible study followed by a time of open prayer.

Once a month on a Thursday afternoon, an outreach meeting, called “Tea and Time to Think” was held in the home of one of our members. The purpose of this is to reach out to neighbours and to provide a forum for discussion and Bible study.

The church is actively involved in supporting the worldwide mission of the church by prayer and financial giving. Support is focussed on missionaries and mission organisations involved in spreading the Gospel of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ as given to us in the Bible. We are particularly engaged in supporting the missionaries of Grace Baptist Mission, but also take an interest in many other mission agencies.

Members. During the period of this report we had 8 members, with no additions and no losses. The members met regularly for “business meetings” to discuss practical aspects of our church life and work. We also met for an Annual General Meeting, to hear reports and to approve our budget.

Property. Our land and buildings are held in trust by the Association of Grace Baptist Churches, South-East (AGBCSE), of which Needingworth Baptist Church is a member. AGBCSE has now been renamed "Grace Baptist Association (GBA)," so GBA are now our Holding Trustees.

Financial review. The assets of the church (charity), income and expenditure are as per our Financial Statement of Accounts. Because our income was less than £25,000, the accounts were not examined by an Independent Examiner.

All our income came from the freewill offering of our members and attendees. No fund-raising activities were held. Funds were used for the upkeep of the chapel and grounds including our cemetery, as well as other running costs, expenses of visiting speakers and donations to mission organisations. No grants were made. Funds are kept in our bank accounts and we do not hold any investments. Cash in hand is particularly being held with a view to the support of a future pastor. We do not hold any funds as a custodian trustee.

Income exceeded expenditure during the period of the report and the financial position of the charity at the end of the period of the report was healthy with a cash balance of £72,811.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed: David Mann

Full name: David Mann

Position: Elder/Chair of Trustees

Date: 6 February 2026



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
NEEDINGWORTH BAPTIST CHURCH CIO

No (if any)
1200761

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
11/1/2024

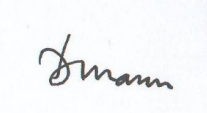
To

Period end date
10/31/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
	21,339	-	-	21,339	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	21,339	-	-	21,339	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	21,339	-	-	21,339	-
A3 Payments					
	16,644	-	-	16,644	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	16,644	-	-	16,644	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	16,644	-	-	16,644	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,695	-	-	4,695	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	68,117	-	-	68,117	-
Cash funds this year end	72,812	-	-	72,812	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		72,812	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	72,812	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Church furniture	General funds	-	-
	Electronic organ	General funds	-	-
	Garden equipment	General funds	-	-
	Church kitchen equipment	General funds	-	-
	Computer and digital projector	General funds	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			DAVID MANN	2/7/2026